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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Bernard Rupp, Et Al.

Serial No. 09/831,150

Based on PCT/DE00/03045

For: DECOUPLING DEVICE FOR ACTUATORS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for a four-month extension of time for responding to the Notice of Missing Requirements mailed June 19, 2001.

Filed herewith is a Response, Executed Declaration, Assignment, Translation of German Text Application w/8 sheets drawings, and Preliminary Amendment.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a), granting of an extension of time on payment of the required fee, please charge said fee of \$1,440.00. to Deposit Account 07-2100. A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Charge any additional fees which may be due to Account No. 07-2100.

Respectfully submitted,

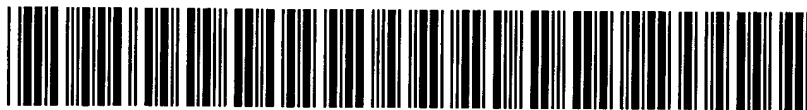
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